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1. The "Machold" textile factory, National Corporation in Bruntal, makes textiles, most of which are exported to the Soviet Union. The factory has three stories, is made of brick and is located opposite the railway station in Bruntal (50°N Lat, 17°30' E long). The plant is equipped with modern looms, most of which are made in the USSR.
2. The factory is guarded by a factory militia consisting of 40 men, armed with rifles of German make. It employs 800 persons, men and women who work in three shifts. The average wage of a worker is very low, 2,300-2,600 crowns per month. This low wage contributes greatly to the workers' dissatisfaction with the present regime. The factory also employs 12 Soviet workers (specialists) who are in charge of production control and instruct the domestic workers in the use of the new looms.

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